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Dear Sir:

The references listed in the attached PTO Form 1449, copies of the non-U.S. references of which are attached, may be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. Applicant submits these references in compliance with his duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to consider these references and to acknowledge such consideration by initialing the appropriate locations on the attached PTO Form 1449.

References L and M are in Japanese. The relevance of References L and M may be ascertained by reviewing References R and S, which are English language abstracts of References L and M, respectively. In addition, Reference A is believed to be an English-language equivalent of Reference M, and Reference B is believed to be an English-language equivalent of Reference L.

Applicant states that the references listed in the attached PTO Form 1449 were cited in a communication in a counterpart Japanese application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement (IDS). Accordingly, no fees are due in connection with the filing of this IDS. In the event fees are due to effect consideration of the cited references, the Commissioner may charge such fees to Deposit Account 50-0805 (Order No. MIPFP133).

Respectfully submitted,

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